

THINGS THAT WENT WRONG

That Is According to the Commonly Understood Order of Doing Them.

As affording an instructive example of the effect of wealth upon some human minds the story may be told, briefly, of the marriage of Jeroboam Kincaide, a prosperous young farmer residing not far from Gaena, Ill., which took place a few weeks ago, says the Chicago Tribune.

Mr. Kincaide, who is the owner of more than a square mile of land, all under cultivation, selected as his bride the only daughter of a rich farmer whose broad acres adjoined his on the west.

They were married by the pastor of a struggling church in a neighboring village. The invitations were limited to the immediate relatives of the families and a few intimate friends of the contracting parties. The bride and groom were plainly attired and the decorations of the parlor in which the ceremony took place were of the simplest character.

After the words had been pronounced that made them husband and wife the bridegroom took the preacher aside and asked him, in an embarrassed way:

"Mr. Skiles, how much do I owe you?"

"Why, whatever you please, Mr. Kincaide," said the preacher. "I never make any regular charge."

The young man seemed relieved. "But there's a legal fee, isn't there?" he said.

"Yes; I think a justice of the peace could collect two dollars."

The happy bridegroom fumbled in his trousers pocket and pulled out a tightly folded note.

"Well," he remarked, with a sigh, as he handed it over, "I want to do what's right, of course."

As the preacher ascertained later, it was merely a sort of engraved certificate, issued by Uncle Sam, and promising to pay the bearer—

One hundred dollars in gold. Sometimes, as a general thing, you can't always tell.

MOTHER-IN-LAW'S SPIRIT.

Was Present in the Form of a Thief and Stole Hotel Guest's Valuables.

"Who's there?" shouted the occupant of a hotel bedroom, as he heard a noise in the corner of his room. There was no answer and the queer noise stopped, relates the Portland Oregonian.

"Anybody there?" No answer.

"It must have been a spirit," he said to himself; "I must be a medium. I will try." (Aloud.) "If there is a spirit in the room it will signify the same by saying aye—no, that's not what I mean. If there is a spirit in the room it will please rap three times."

Three very distinct raps were given in the direction of the bureau.

"Is it the spirit of my sister?" No answer.

"Is it the spirit of my mother-in-law?" Three very distinct raps.

"Are you happy?" Nine raps.

"Do you want anything?" A succession of very loud raps.

"Will you give me any communication if I get up?" No answer.

"Shall I hear from you to-morrow?" Raps are very loud in the direction of the door.

"Shall I ever see you?" He waited long for his answer, but none came and he turned over and fell asleep.

Next morning he found the "spirit" of his mother-in-law had carried off his watch and purse, his trousers and his great coat.

Life in Mars.

Those weary of the world might and it pleasanter on Mars. Camille Flammarion details many advantages in favor of Martians. They at least can always tell with almost absolute certainty what sort of weather is to be their portion no less than two weeks in advance. Besides this they themselves are extremely clever and might furnish amusement for the blasé of earth. They are supposed to be several millions of years ahead of the earth dwellers, an intellectual race far superior to our own, as astronomical observations increasingly tend to indicate. They are also in a better position than we to free themselves from the heaviness of matter, since they weigh less. Their years are twice as long as those on earth. And their climatic conditions are always more agreeable than ours.

Vast Traffic of the Lakes.

The interior water ways of the United States steadily grow in commercial importance. There has been an enormous increase in the tonnage of the shipping on the great lakes and it is reported that all the lake ship-building plants have contracts for all the work they can turn out this year, with contracts signed beyond that. Besides 60 ships of 10,000 tons each in commission recent contracts were made for two ships 625 feet long, of 12,500 gross tons. The ever-growing work of carrying iron ore and grain is swelling the volume of lake commerce to mammoth proportions.

Between Friends.

Ethyl—But Jack is a little too fond of wine, is he not?

Wayne—Yes, I suppose so; but he has agreed to stop drinking if I'll marry him.

"Well, you'll probably find it easier for him to begin again than it is for you to get a divorce."—Detroit Free Press.

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BEARS CHAMPAGNE SCARS.

The Workman in the Cellars of Rheims Is Exposed to Constant Danger.

The Frenchman's face was naked and notched, says the Cincinnati Enquirer.

"Have you been a duelist?" one asked.

"No, no," the man replied. "I have been a champagne maker." He touched his face. "These honorable nicks," he said, "are champagne scars."

"Champagne scars," he went on, "decorate the visages of all the workers in the underground champagne mills of Rheims. They are caused by the bursting of the bottles. About one bottle of champagne in every ten bursts."

"There are miles and miles of champagne caves in Rheims, caves cut in the solid limestone rock, where, in a constant temperature of 45 degrees, millions of bottles of wine refine and ripen."

"The workers down there smell nothing but champagne all day long, champagne escaping from burst bottles. And as the turners move along the racks—each turns 35,000 bottles daily—they are continually salted with explosions. Bang! And the glass splinters fly and a little fountain of champagne perfumes the damp air."

"Day after day each bottle must be turned, turned 50 times altogether, till the sediment in it has all mounted up and concentrated itself around the cork. Then the corks are removed the corks, let the sediment-thickened wine in the neck of the bottle blow off and skillfully replace the cork again."

"The corks' and turners' work is dangerous. These men are nearly all scarred like me."

METAPHORICALLY SPEAKING

Sentence Delivered by a Representative That Resounded with Rumbling Phases.

"The use of metaphor in our speech is becoming such that in time it will be considered bad form and old-fashioned to talk pure English," said Representative Robert Adams, of Pennsylvania, as he recited the other day an instance of a speech delivered some time ago by a western congressman in which the metaphorical form was exclusively used.

"Politicians," said Mr. Adams, "are probably more addicted to the use of metaphor than any other class of people, and the house recently got a good dose of it in a speech made by a well-known Democratic representative from the west. In it he came out with a tremendous sentence, which ran, as nearly as I can remember, like this:

"Spurious vulgar fossilism secretly urges members to oppose this nonparty measure. History shows that the same kind of rubber-brained vultures sit, owl-like, on the dying limb of the tree of reason, and by hooting and screaming attempt to impede the progress of every great representative of reform who climbs to the topmost peaks of the imperishable tree of indestructible Democratic knowledge."

"Accustomed as we are to bewildering metaphor in speech," added Mr. Adams, "the house lost something of its accustomed placidity during that awful sentence; even Mr. Timothy Sullivan, who has quite a remarkable gift of picturesque language, sat up and blinked."

HIGH WINDS RARE IN ROME

An Average Speed of Five Miles an Hour Is the Greatest Attained.

Gales are very rare in Rome and never blow with extreme violence. The most striking peculiarity of the Roman climate is the absence of high winds. The air is pure and clear owing to the almost complete absence of smoke even in the winter months.

The average yearly movement of the air is only five miles an hour. This is of enormous advantage in winter, since the "tramontana" (north wind), which is the prevailing wind in this season, is, if strong, decidedly cold and bracing, but when under eight miles an hour is delightful for most people, including invalids. The south winds are essentially sea breezes. They frequently alternate with the tramontana.

The sirocco (southeast wind), which fortunately does not often blow, is moist and enervating. It gives rise to languor in most individuals.

Fat and Lean Men.

Modern scientific investigation in a medical way now declares that the plump man is not necessarily the "healthiest" or the best able to resist disease. The lean man not only enjoys greater resistance to weakness and debility, but he is stronger in the performance of a given task. In other words, a large fat deposit in the general tissue is no evidence of good general nutrition. The rich and girlish beauty of the plump man, sometimes called Fatty, may delight the eye, but when it comes to walking downtown in the morning or running four blocks to a fire Fatty blows out a fuse and is sent to the repair shop, while his lean brother is merely put into condition for the day by his little burst of exercise.—Minneapolis Journal.

Wrong Pew.

"Yes," explained the guide at the asylum, "this patient is perfectly aware that he is insane."

"He ought to exchange places with some people on the outside," said the visitor. "A whole lot of people in this world are crazy and don't know it."—Detroit Free Press.

Robbery on Board Ship.

"Some exporters have a peculiar custom in shipping certain kinds of goods," said a merchant the other day. "They found out by sad experience that if they shipped a lot of shoes in pairs the longshoremen would manage to break open at least one box during the loading. Then they would pick out some and dump the rest back into the broken box. They did that for a long time until some one got onto them. Now when shoes are exported rights are packed together and sent out on one line of boats and the corresponding lefts are shipped in a different way. That stopped the graft and the number of broken crates and boxes is cut almost in half."

Society for Young Wives.

The Society of Whales is a new organization. Every young wife in town belongs and the title of the society is taken from the faith a bride has in her husband. She would believe him if he said he saw a whale swimming up Commercial street. After she has been married for a few months she drops from the club.—Atchison (Kan.) Globe.

ALL DERBIES LOOK ALIKE.

That Was Why a Traveling Man Came to Be Wearing a Second-Handed Hat.

A hasty man told this one to a Baltimore street hatter a few days ago, relates the Sun of that city:

"Late one night while in Washington I dined in a cafe on Pennsylvania avenue and took away some one else's hat. I did not discover the mistake until I got on the train bound for Baltimore. It had the other fellow's initials there in bright gilt letters on the inside and there was no excuse for the blunder."

"The next morning I began to realize that the hat did not fit me as well as it had seemed to, so I dropped in a hat store and bought a new one. The hatter asked me if I wanted my initials put in the new hat, and I told him yes. He perforated them into the sweatband with a big chopping machine. The next day at church I happened to glance in my hat. The initials were the same as those in the hat which I picked up in Washington of course, the hatter concluded that the initials in the old hat were my own."

"Every time I visit a house where there happens to be hats on the rack looking like mine I have to make this long-winded explanation. They are getting to doubt whether I ever have any but second-hand hats, especially the women. Funny, ain't it? Women think all derbies are alike."

"Yes; seems some men have trouble in distinguishing them," said the clerk.

BALTIC AMBER HUNTERS.

Work Only in the Roughest Weather and Earn But a Scant Livelihood.

The poor people who earn a precarious livelihood by gathering amber on the shores of the Baltic sea work only in the roughest weather. When the wind blows in from the sea, as it often does with terrific violence, the boulders are tossed and tumbled at the bottom and great quantities of sea wrack are washed up on the beach. This is the harvest of the waders, for hidden in the roots and branches of the seaweed lumps of the precious gum may be found.

In other parts of the coast divers go crawling on the bottom of the sea for the lumps of amber hidden in seaweed and under rocks. It is believed that once a great pine forest flourished here, where the great billows roll, and that amber is the gum exuded from the trees, of which not a vestige remains.

The finds are very variable. The largest piece known, weighing 18 pounds, is in the Royal museum in Berlin. The usual finds range from lumps as big as a man's head to particles like grains of sand. The larger pieces are found jammed in rocks or in tangles of marine vegetation. Divers work from four to five hours a day in all seasons except when the sea is blocked with ice.

VERBAL MESSAGE BY MAIL.

A Phonograph Record Invented by Frenchman Is Hard Enough for Transmission.

Instead of sending a cold and more or less formal written letter to a distant loved one, it is now possible to send by mail a verbal message, which may be as warm and thrilling as the sender desires, says a writer in the Technical World Magazine.

This has been made possible by the invention of three Frenchmen, MM. Bucherloux, Marotte and Tchow, who have perfected a phonograph record of sufficient hardness to go through the mails, withstand the hard usage of the post, and be ready to voice the message it contains upon delivery at its destination.

A material called "sonorine," which has all the advantages of wax, and the added quality of being indestructible, is spread upon cards, which conform to post office regulations and requirements. Then the chemically prepared card is laid flat and the voice is thrown into a small funnel, through which it passes to the registering needle. The record is made by a spiral, which begins writing at one edge of the card and travels toward its center, filling the card completely with the exception of a small circular spot in the middle. A card will hold about 80 words.

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